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SUBJ SCC WORKING GROUP MEETING, JUNE 27, 1973

1. THE FIRST PORTION OF WORKING GROUP MEETING DEVOTED TO DISCUSSION US- PROPOSED JOINT DRAFT TEXT OF PROTOCOL FOR STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS. THE SOVIET SIDE HAS ACCEPTED US APPROACH, AND ISSUES BEING DISCUSSED INVOLVE BASIC SUBSTANTIVE DIFFERENCES.

2. THE SOVIET SIDE PROVIDED THEIR VERSION OF DRAFT WORKING PAPER ON SPECIFIC PROCEDURES, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT US WORKING PAPER, SAME SUBJECT, OF JUNE 22.

3. KARPOV TOLD FITZGERALD PRIVATELY THAT SOVIET SIDE HAD NOT INSTRUCTIONS RE ABM PROCEDURES, AND THUS WOULD BE UNABLE TO ADDRESS THAT SUBJECT AT THIS SESSION. WHEN PRESSED BY FITZGERALD CONCERNING IMPORTANCE OF ABM PROCEDURES, KARPOV INDICATED THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO AGREE ON AD REFERENDUM PROTOCOL ALONG LINES OF ONE FOR STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS, BUT FIRMLY INDICATED THAT HE DID NOT HAVE, AND DID NOT EXPECT, INSTRUCTIONS PERMITTING THEM TO WORK ON SPECIFIC PROCEDURES DURING THIS SESSION. WE INTEND TO KEEP PRESSING THIS SUBJECT, AND WILL BE TABLING REVISED

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DRAFT PROTOCOL CONFIRMED TO REFLECT PROGRESS MADE IN
STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS AREA WITH US SPECIFIC PROCEDURES
ATTACHED THERETO.

4. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 29, AT WHICH
TIME IT IS PLANNED TO COMPLETE WORK, AD REFERENDUM TO
COMMISSIONERS, ON PROTOCOL (TEXT WE PLAN TO WORK FROM
BEINT SENT SEPTTEL), AND TO CONTINUE SUBSTANTIVE EXCHANGES
ON SPECIFIC PROCEDURES. MEETINGS WILL BE SCHEDULED
NEXT WEEK AS NECESSARY TO MEET TENTATIVELY PLANNED FINAL
SCC MEETING ON THURSDAY, JULY 5. GRAYBEAL

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